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SUBJECT: ICAO COUNCIL MEETING FOLLOWING ORLY AIRPORT INCIDENTS

MONTREAL FOR US REP ICAO

REF: STATE 22355

1. EMBOFF PRESENTED PRO MEMORIA BASED ON REFTEL TO MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA) AND DISCUSSED SITUATION WITH MFA REP FIACCADORI (DIRECTOR CIVIL AFFAIRS). FIACCADORI SAID MFA UNDERSTANDS SITUATION PERFECTLY AND GOI FAVORS STRENGTHENING ICAO STANDARDS/RECOMMENDED PRACTICES TO COMBAT TERRORIST ACTIVITIES. HE NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT CIVILAVIA AND MINISTRY INTERIOR ARE ACTION AGENCIES AND THAT, GIVEN NATURE OF ITALIAN BUREAUCRACY, IT WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE POSSIBLE TO HAVE PROPOSALS/ PAPER AVAILABLE FOR USE BY ITALIAN ICAO REP IN CANADA BY FEB 12. FIACCADORI SUGGESTED POSTPONING ACTION ON THIS ITEM UNTIL LATER ICAO COUNCIL MEETING, BY WHICH TIME OTHER GOVERNMENTS WOULD BE ABLE PREPARE DOCUMENTATION WHICH COULD BE CONSIDERED BY COUNCIL.

2. EMBOFF URGED MFA INSTRUCT ITALIAN ICAO REP AT ITALIAN EMBASSY OTTAWA TO ATTEND ICAO COUNCIL MEETING AND TO SUPPORT USG INITIATIVE,
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WHILE PROVIDING HIM COMPLETE BACKGROUND INFO.

3. COMMENT. SEVERAL WEEKS LEAD TIME IS REQUIRED TO PREPARE AND COORDINATE PAPERS ON ICAO MATTERS WITHIN GOI, ESPECIALLY WHEN CIVILAVIA INVOLVED. EMBASSY REGRETS SHORT LEAD TIME THIS INSTANCE, SINCE GOI COULD UNDOUBTEDLY PROVIDE USEFUL INFO BASED ON DECEMBER 1973 FIREBOMBING OF PAA 707 AT FUIMICINO AIRPORT AND CHRISTMAS DAY 1974 ATTEMPTED HIJACKING OF AIR INDIA 747. TO ENSURE USEFUL ITALIAN ROLE AT ICAO COUNCIL, EMBASSY OTTAWA MAY WISH TO CONTACT GOI ICAO REP AND DISCUSS THIS MATTER WITH HIM. VOLPE

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